MU Librarian Recognized as an Emerging Leader

Columbia, MO – The University of Missouri–Columbia Libraries are pleased to announce that Wayne Sanders, a monograph and audiovisual cataloger and Head of the Monograph Catalog Unit at MU Libraries, has been selected for the American Library Association’s (ALA) 2008 Emerging Leaders Program. Sanders is one of 120 librarians from across the country chosen to participate in the program, which was created to prepare librarians for future professional leadership.

“We’re very proud that Wayne has been chosen for this honor, and is joining the ranks of the American Library Association’s next generation of leaders and professionals,” said Jim Cogswell, Director of MU Libraries.

Sanders joined MU Libraries in July 2006 as Monograph Catalog Librarian. He has prior experience in the Acquisitions and Catalog Departments of MU Libraries and in the Newspaper Library of the State Historical Society of Missouri. He has masters degrees in Library Science and Anthropology from the University of Missouri–Columbia and a bachelor’s degree from Vanderbilt University in History and Anthropology.

Sanders is currently serving as the Chair of the Subject and Bibliographic Access Committee of the Anthropology and Sociology Section of the Association of College and Research Libraries. He also serves as a member of the Technical Services Systems Committee of the Systems and Services Section of the Library Administration and Management Association.

The Emerging Leaders Program will be launched in January, during ALA’s mid-winter meeting in Philadelphia. Participants will put their leadership skills to work by serving on an ALA or chapter committee, task force, working group or project team, with the goal of assuming future leadership roles in ALA, one of its divisions, or state chapters.
**Ellis Library Homecoming Open House**

**Saturday, October 20**

10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

North Entrance

Ellis Library

We invite you to visit the campus’ main library during the MU Homecoming Parade.

Please visit the Dorothy Doughty North American Bird Collection and the new Royal Doulton Loving Cups exhibit. Children’s activities will be provided, along with tours of Ellis Library. Hot spiced cider, coffee, and light refreshments will also be served. Public rest rooms will be available.

For more information, contact Sheila Voss at 573-882-9168.

A special thanks to Libby Myre, our resident face painter, and Bill Phillips (Adrienne Arden’s husband), who will be making the balloon animals.

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**MU Libraries Faculty Lecture Series**

**Dr. Carol Lazzaro-Weis, Professor of French & Italian**

“Tixier’s Travels: The French and the Osage after the Louisiana Purchase”

**Wednesday, October 24**

1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.

First Floor Colonnade

Ellis Library

In 1840 a young French medical student, amateur artist, and guest of the Chouteau family of St. Louis spent the summer living with the Osage Indians. Victor Tixier wrote vivid descriptions of the Osage Indians in his journal *Voyage aux Prairies Osages*. Dr. Lazzaro-Weis will discuss her work on the forthcoming scholarly edition of this work. Please join us for this fascinating lecture and discussion. This event is free and open to the public.

**Upcoming Lecture:**

November 8, 2007

“Tale of Three Kates: Prostitution, Loyalty, and the Long Civil War”

LeeAnn Whites

Contact Geoff Swindells (swindellsg@missouri.edu) for further information on the series.
STAFF DEVELOPMENT NEWS

Student Excellence Award – Last Call for Nominations

A reminder that nominations are being solicited for the fall 2007 Student Excellence Award. The purpose of the award is to recognize those students who are dedicated, creative, and/or industrious. Any student employed in Ellis Library or in any of the branches is eligible for consideration. The recipient will receive a $25 gift certificate to the MU Bookstore.

The nomination deadline is Friday, October 26. Please forward nominations to Leo Agnew, 104 Ellis Library. The nomination form can be found at http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/staff/committees/staffdevelopment/development_opportunities/employee_awards/student.html. In the event of multiple nominations, the ‘extra’ forms will be retained for consideration for the spring 2008 student award.

Library Issues Forums Reminder

A reminder that the Staff Development Committee is issuing a call for topic suggestions for the 2007-2008 Library Issues Forum series. The purpose of the forums is to bring up ideas, innovations, and solutions to problems. The Forum provides an opportunity to learn about and discuss broad current and future trends facing libraries today. The typical format will consist of a presentation on a topic affecting the library community (MU Libraries, state, national, or international), followed by a time for discussion by participants. Forums may address (but are not limited to) issues involving multiple library departments, issues in which a large user base is concerned, and issues needing open discussion and broad input.

Please forward suggestions to Leo Agnew at AgnewL@missouri.edu by Friday, Oct. 26.

Human Resource Services’ ‘Training Conference’

Human Resource Services is sponsoring its 3rd Annual Training Conference on November 6th and 7th, 2007 for Columbia campus staff employees. There will be nearly forty training sessions covering diverse topics including topics such as leadership, supervision, personal financial planning, and time management. Also included is a session from Dewey Thompson on ‘True Colors.’

Bob Almony will be offering two training sessions: “Take Charge of Your Finances” on November 6 and “Principles of Investing on a Shoestring Budget: or How to Get Rich Slowly” on November 7. Both sessions will be held from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

All sessions are free and this is a great opportunity to set aside a couple of days for professional development. All sessions will be held at Memorial Union and the speakers are mostly MU staff and faculty who are all experts in their fields. Sessions run concurrently but several topics are repeated over the two days.

You can go to HR’s web site at http://web.missouri.edu/~umchrswww/train.html for information on courses and to sign up online. Release time is available with supervisor approval.

To register, click on “Online Registration,” enter your pawprint, and choose “All Courses.” You may also contact Bonnie Gregg at 882-7976.
MULSA Halloween Party

Wednesday, October 31
2:30-4:00pm
Ellis staff lounge

It’s that spooky time of year again… Halloween! That means it’s time for the Annual MULSA Halloween party!

Besides the costume and pumpkin carving/ decorating contest we have a new contest this year: Create your own tombstone.

Be sure and check out “Tombstone Territory” here in News Notes, and please remember you don’t need to be in costume to come and enjoy the festivities!

MULSA will provide a few goodies, but feel free to add to the “Creepy Treats”.

For other upcoming MULSA event dates and times visit the MULSA web page: http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/staff/committees/mulsa/default.htm

MULSA Yard Sale Update

The MULSA yard sale was a minor success, but we had to close up early due to rain. We have tentatively rescheduled for October 27, weather permitting.

Forgot to get us your sale items? We’ll still take them! Contact Karla at geerlingsk@missouri.edu or 445-3646, or Michelle at baggettm@missouri.edu.

Watch for further information!
Human Resources

Security Guard - Administration, Ellis Library. A full description of the position may be found at the following address:
https://web.missouri.edu/~employment/vacdetails.php?vac=1008876

Senior Information Specialist - Administration, Ellis Library. Position is on ‘hold’ status. A full description of the position may be found at the following address:
https://web.missouri.edu/~employment/vacdetails.php?vac=1009060

Graduation Day

Congratulations to Mary Aycock, Michelle Baggett, Dorothy Carner, Sarah Cron, Ivy Hui, Amanda McConnell, Ann Riley, Cathi Veach, and David Walsh on ‘graduating’ from Supervisor 101. Their time and participation in the course deserves recognition. Supervisor 101 is designed to provide employees with a better working knowledge of select MU HR policies and procedures.

Employee 101 – Call for Next Round of Participants

Employee 101, aka Supervisor 101, is taking self-nominations for participation. The course includes a review of selected personnel policies, a discussion of mock employee relations situations, a few exercises and some training by video. The program format involves small groups of employees meeting in two-hour blocks of time one day a week over a six-week period. The same individuals will move together through the 12 hours of training. At the end of the program, participants will have a better understanding of various workplace rules and regulations and, subsequently, their related rights and responsibilities.

Space is available for 5-6 employees. To participate, first secure supervisor approval, and then notify me. If you are interested but not available at this time, simply let me know when you would be available.

Leo Agnew
Personnel Coordinator

Competency Level Increase Recognition

Congratulations to Colleen Smith for successfully qualifying for a competency level increase. Colleen moves to LIS I, Level 4.

To qualify, Colleen demonstrated a level of consistency and quality in her work that met the criteria for advancement. Twenty-five library employees have now realized a competency level increase since implementation of the program. To learn more about the MU Libraries’ LIA/LIS Classification/Compensation/Competency plans, go to http://mulibraries.missouri.edu/staff/admin/classification/reclassification.htm.